KARANA VS MICHAEL

We just finished reading two books based on survival. They are called *Kensuke’s Kingdom* by Michael Morpurgo and *Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scoot O Dell*. The book *Island of* *the Blue Dolphins* is about a 12 year old girl who learns how to survive on an island for eighteen years. In the book Kensuke’s Kingdom a boy named Michael who is also 12 years old gets stranded on an island after falling off a yacht named The Peggy Sue. Michael has to survive with a little help from an islander named Kensuke. These two books are more similar than they are different.

These books are very similar because Karana and Michael are both twelve years old at the start of the book. They both have dogs, Karana got her dog when she was on the island and Michael had his dog from the start of the book. They are both stranded an island. Both characters are rescued by a boat. A ship comes back to get Karana and the Peggy Sue comes back to get Michael.

Even though they are similar in most ways, there are differences. Michael has Kensuke on the island to give him food and water and Karana was alone to find food and water by her self. Karana’s story took place around the 1800’s and Michael’s story took place in the 1900’s. Michael was a boy and Karana was a girl. She had more of a love for animals then he did. Michael’s island had a lot of trees and Karana’s did not. Although there are differences there are more similarities in these two books.